

## Message Text

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FM AMEMBASSY OTTAWA  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 5316

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FOLLOWING RECD ACTION OTTAWA INFO MONTREAL 7 NOV 77 REPEATED FOR YOUR  
ACTION:

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E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: PINT, CA  
SUBJECT: POLITICAL IMPACT OF RCMP REVELATIONS

REF: OTTAWA 9548

1. WE HAVE LITTLE TO ADD TO UR PREVIOUS REPORTING ON LOCAL  
REACTION TO THE RCMP AFFAIR (QUEBEC 423). DESPITE COMPREHENSIVE  
MEDIA COVERAGE, THE PARLIAMENTARY HULLABALOO HAS GENERATED  
LITTLE HEAT BEYOND AN EPIDEMIC OF "BUGGING" JOKES.

2, TYPICAL REACTION WE HEARD HERE WAS FROM A GROUP OF  
SENIOR CIVIL SERVANTS, WHO TOLD ME THAT THEY WERE NOT SURPRISED  
BY THE REVELATION AND HAD ALWAYS ASSUMED THAT POLICE SURVEILLANCE  
HAD BEEN GOING ON. LACK OF INDIGNATION AMONG FRANCOPHONES,  
THEY SAID, WAS RESULT OF "CULTURAL DIFFERENCES." WHILE  
ATHEY MORE PURITANICAL ANGLOPHONE MIND WOULD REACT STRONGLY  
TO REVELATIONS OF POLICE ABUSE, THEY CONTINUED, FRANCOPHONES  
TEND TO TAKE SUCH THINGS WITH LESS MORAL INDIGNATION.

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3. AS FOR THE TV PERFORMANCES OF MESSRS. CLARK AND BROADBENT,  
THEY HAVE AROUSED NO DETECTABLE REACTION, EITHER POSITIVE OR  
NEGATIVE. McNAMARA

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